

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 92-212-S - ORDER NO. 92-636
AUGUST 5, 1992

IN RE:	Application of PM Associates, Inc. DBA)	ORDER
	PM Utilities, Inc. for Approval to)	APPROVING
	Transfer Ownership of Look-Up Forest)	TRANSFER
	Subdivision Wastewater Treatment Facility)	AND
	and Collection System from the Rice)	CLOSING
	Corporation to PM Utilities, Inc.)	DOCKETS

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by Application filed April 7, 1992, of PM Utilities, Inc. (PM) which seeks approval to transfer the wastewater system owned by Rice Corporation in Look-Up Forest, Greenville County, South Carolina to PM Utilities, Inc. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. CODE ANN. §58-5-240 (1976), as amended and R.103-821 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

The Commission's Executive Director instructed the Company to cause to be published a prepared Notice of Filing and Hearing, one time, in newspapers of general circulation in the affected area. The Notice of Filing indicated the nature of the Company's Application, and advised all interested parties desiring to participate in any proceeding of the manner and time in which to file the appropriate pleadings. The Company was likewise required to notify directly all customers affected by the proposed

transfer. Thereafter, the Company furnished Affidavits demonstrating that the Notice of Filing had been duly published in accordance with the instructions of the Executive Director, and that the Company had mailed a notice of the filing to each customer affected by the transfer. A Petition to Intervene was filed on behalf of Ronald Stockweather.

Thereafter, pursuant to notice duly provided in accordance with the applicable provisions of law and with the Commission's Regulations, a public hearing relative to the matters asserted in the Company's Application was commenced on July 29, 1992, in the Commission's Hearing Room. The Honorable Rudolph Mitchell, Vice Chairman, presided. Joel Stoudenmire, Esquire, represented the Applicant, PM Utilities, Inc.; Frank R. Ellerbe, Esquire, represented the Intervenor, Ronald Stockweather; and F. David Butler, Staff Counsel, represented the Commission Staff. The Applicant presented the testimony of Roger L. Howell, President of PM Associates, Inc. and PM Utilities, Inc. The Intervenor, Ronald Stockweather, testified on his own behalf.

Howell testified that of the 102 lots currently located in the Look-Up Forest Subdivision, 13 homes were on the wastewater system proposed to be transferred to his corporation. Howell testified that PM had furnished up to date sewer maps, and that any manhole covers which were not at the proper height would be raised. Howell also stated that his firm was an engineer and utility management firm, specializing in water and wastewater systems, that all required reports would be filed with the

Commission and other governmental authority as required, that PM Utilities, under the written agreement, agrees to supply all customers within the service area with adequate and customary sewer service, and to operate, maintain, and repair all sewer facilities acquired under the agreement.

The Intervenor, Ronald Stockweather testified. Stockweather stated that, whereas he does not actually oppose the transfer, that he would prefer a delay in the transfer until certain outstanding matters existing from the time of the Rice Corporation are settled. Theses include completion of all sewage lines throughout the development, raising of certain manhole covers so resurfacing of certain roads can take place, and other related matters.

The Commission has examined the transfer contract in this matter and believes that the transfer of the wastewater treatment facility and collection system contained in the Look-Up Forest Subdivision in Greenville County, South Carolina, should be transferred from the Rice Corporation to PM Associates, Inc. DBA PM Utilities, Inc. However, as per the request of Mr. Stockweather, sewer lines should be installed in unsewered lots as needed, once permits are obtained for construction on those lots.

The Commission notes that three (3) other Dockets regarding this same subject matter are presently pending before this Commission, i.e., Dockets 91-044-S, 91-225-S, and 91-366-S. The Commission finds that these Dockets are duplicative of the present Docket, and that matters addressed therein are disposed of by this

Order. Therefore, these Dockets should be closed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

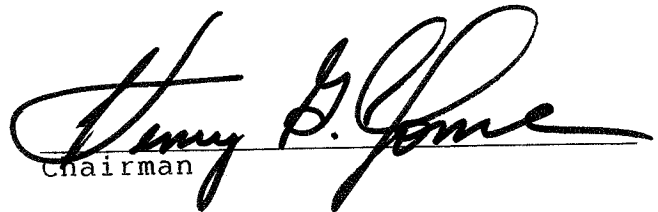
1. The transfer of ownership of the Look-Up Forest Subdivision wastewater treatment facility and collection system in Greenville County, South Carolina from the Rice Corporation to PM Utilities, Inc. is hereby approved.

2. That sewer lines should be installed in unsewered lots in the Look-Up Forest Subdivision as needed, once permits are granted for construction on the property.

3. That Docket Nos. 91-044-S, 91-225-S, and 91-366-S are hereby closed.

4. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Deputy Executive Director

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